

RESOLUTION NO. ____ OF 2020

Extension of Proclamation Declaring a Local Emergency: Magnitude 5.7 Earthquake

WHEREAS, under Utah Code 53-2a-208(1)(a), the chief executive of a municipality may declare a local emergency by proclamation, which proclamation may be in effect for up to 30 days.

WHEREAS, under Utah Code 53-2a-208(1)(b), any extension of the local emergency beyond the initial 30 days must be with the consent of the governing body of the municipality.

WHEREAS, under Salt Lake City Code 22.03.010, the Mayor may declare a local emergency by proclamation, and the proclamation must state: (i) the nature of the local emergency; (ii) the areas of the City that are affected or threatened; and (iii) the conditions which caused the local emergency.

WHEREAS, under Salt Lake City Code 22.03.020, any renewal of a proclamation of local emergency for a period beyond 30 days must be approved by the City Council, with such approval expressed by resolution.

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, the Mayor issued a “Proclamation Declaring a Local Emergency” in response to a magnitude 5.7 earthquake experienced in the Salt Lake Valley on March 18, 2020 (“Proclamation No. 3 of 2020”), which was extended by the Council to expire on July 6, 2020 and again extended to expire on October 9, 2020.

WHEREAS, aftershocks and incoming property damage assessments continue in Salt Lake City, and the City Council has determined that extending the duration of the local emergency is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of Salt Lake City’s residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah, the following:

1. The Council approves the extension of Proclamation No. 3 of 2020 declaring a local emergency due to the magnitude 5.7 earthquake, which extension shall be from the date of this Resolution until December 9, 2020, unless later extended or terminated by subsequent resolution of the Council.
2. Prior to the issuance of any proclamation exercising emergency powers under City Code 22.03.030, the Mayor shall provide written notification to the Council of: (a) the specific powers the Mayor intends to exercise; (b) the justification for exercising such powers in connection with the local emergency; and (c) the anticipated effect of the exercise of such powers, including the anticipated cost or lost revenue to the City.
3. At any Council meeting while the local emergency is still in effect, the Council may seek additional information from the Mayor, including the actual effect of the exercise of any emergency powers and the actual costs or lost revenue to the City due to such exercise of powers.

4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage.

Passed by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah this 6th day of October, 2020.

SALT LAKE CITY COUNCIL

Chris Wharton, Chair

ATTEST AND COUNTERSIGN:

Approved as to form:
Salt Lake City Attorney's Office


Katherine Lewis (Sep 30, 2020 20:18 MDT)

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